

UMass Lowell students reach for the stars at the Johnson Space Center

Zero-G engineers return



UMass Lowell students standing outside of NASA's KC-135A.

Professor David Smith

Engineering students visit NASA to feel weightlessness.

by Alfred Williams
Connector Contributor

The video opens with a shot of the inside of NASA's KC-135A. A man in a flight suit is floating up and down, sometimes bouncing off the padded walls of the plane. A computer is strapped to the deck behind him

and a small stuffed moose, tethered to the ceiling, floats in front. The man yells to the camera, "We have a button to push, and a moose to play with!" The man is Evangelos Livieratos, leader of one of two teams composed of UML students that rode on the KC-135A.

The students who rode the "Weightless wonder" found it "Phenomenal, a once in a lifetime experience," in the words of Brad Michaels. The UML students performed experiments in

materials technology and vibration isolation under free-fall conditions.

The trip to the Johnson Space Center also included a tour of NASA facilities including the original and new mission control. The students also met astronauts like John Young and sampled some of the astronauts experience. In terms of a general educational experience, Alex Garneau thought the program was good because "I wanted to see how projects in the real

world operate" and hopes that "the students will keep doing this (program)." Livieratos confesses that "We wanted to be involved with NASA. We had the interest in NASA, and then the experiment, we won't fib about it."

The teams will participate in outreach programs at local high schools such as Chelmsford, Lawrence, and Lowell. A presentation is also planned for UML students and faculty although a date has not been set.

Students paint under the bridge

Graffiti on rocks are an ongoing issue for students and faculty.

by Mike Detore
Connector Staff

Over the past two years, UMass Lowell's campus has made several improvements. The opening of new facilities such as the Tsongas Arena and LeLacheur Field have brought the campus to a much higher level. New signs, improvements on the buildings and gardens were also made. Even with all of these things added to the campus to better its appearance; it is hard to ignore the vandalism. It is hard not to notice the rocks under the University Ave.

Bridge on North Campus. They are spray painted with an assortment of colors that destroy the appearance of the river.

Graffiti has been on these rocks for many years. However, it has not been a major eyesore as it is now. At one time it was a tradition for organizations, clubs, and gangs to mark the rocks in as tasteful a manner as possible. It was still vandalism but it was neat, showing the painters pride in his or her organization. In the time when tradition meant something, people could walk over the bridge, look down at the water and rocks and not shake their heads in disgust. "It used to be something to represent all of us. Now it's just an unorganized array of vandalism", said a brother from the



The rocks under the bridge on University Ave.

fraternity Sigma Phi Epsilon.

The recent surge of graffiti on these rocks has broken way over the barrier of tradition. Many colors are sprayed all over the

rocks covering what was there before. "What used to be a traditional art form, has become an

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Casino Night; fun for all

by Pamela Wall
Connector Contributor

There was wheeling and dealing the evening of Thursday, Mar. 25th in Cumnock Hall. Casino Night was hosted by Residence Life from 8 pm until 12 midnight.

The main purpose of this event was to provide a night of fun for the staff and for patrons. The staff was trained not only on how to run the tables but also to make sure patrons were enjoying themselves. Larry Siegel, the Director of Residence Life, was the man in charge.

His goal was to show everyone, staff and patrons, a good time. "This is for fun, I don't want people arguing over a dollar," Siegel said. It was important that no one lost a lot of money. To help insure this, the bank did not give out large quantities of chips. If someone began to lose a lot of money, Siegel would have a talk with them. He stressed that he didn't want anyone losing a lot of money. Siegel also emphasized that this event was good for the staff. They had to put aside their regular duties and pull together to make the night successful.

"The nice part is that we all work together, so we know each

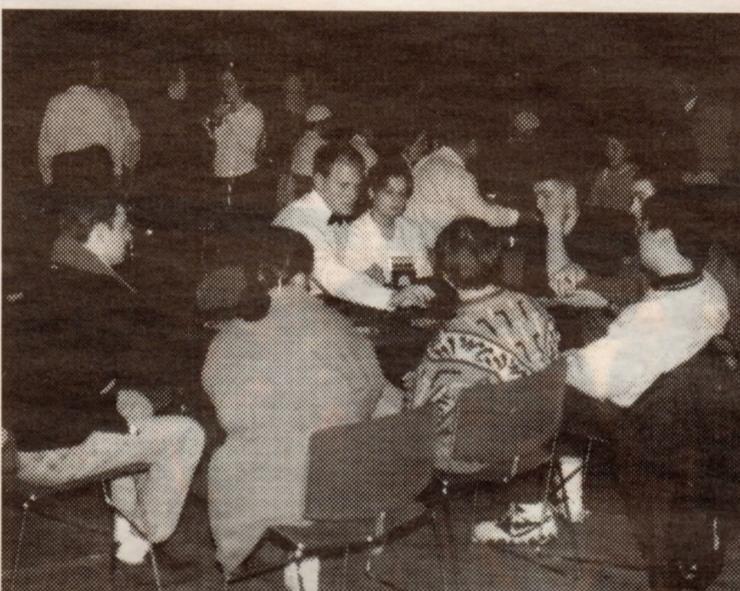
other," said Siegel.

Preparation for the event included renting the equipment from Monty Carlo Production Company for about \$550. The owner of the company trained the staff on how to run the tables, while Siegel taught them the rules and regulations of black jack. The staff went through about a half hour of mock hands and additional practice before the night began.

Over the course of the evening, between 250 and 300 people attended the event. Most of the patrons were UML students, although all were wel-

come to try their luck. The event was monitored by two police officers: one from the Campus Police and the other from Lowell Police Department. They inspected the gambling license which was purchased from the Lowell.

The proceeds from Casino night were divided up. Portions of the money will go towards the end of the year banquet for the RA's, another towards purchasing care packages for the RA's, who were on duty that evening and were not able to participate and lastly a portion went to charity.



People playing black jack at Cumnock Hall.

File Photo

Lit Society officially returns

by Rob Velella
Connector Staff

The UMass Lowell Literary Society, which is once again in operation after several semesters of inactivity, has announced its officers for the 1999-2000 academic year. The officers are as follows:

Co-Presidents: Rob Velella and Genevieve Hubbard; Vice-President: Kelly Andreoni; Co-Treasurers: Kevin Buckley and Brianne Dotts; Secretary: Heather Rhodes; Editor-In-Chief (of the *Lowell Pearl*): Rob Rodney. The Society's co-advisors are Professors Hillary Holladay and Anthony Sczscsi.

Plans are in the works for the Literary Society. Besides the



production of the *Lowell Pearl*, an international literary magazine, there are also plans for open microphone poetry nights, and the possibility of book sales.

Those interested in joining the Literary Society are encouraged to visit their office, room 440 in the McGauvran Student Union building.

Tax tips for students from MASSPIRG

by M.M. PIRG
Connector Contributor

MASSPIRG did some research and found that in 1997, Congress and the President passed several new non-refundable tax credits to help alleviate the burden of paying for college; the Hope Credit and the Lifetime Learning Credit. While these tax benefits are not intended to serve as financial aid, they may be able to provide you or your family with up to \$1,500 of extra tax relief this year.

The eligibility rules are as follows: A student (or person claiming a student as a dependent) cannot claim either credit if:

-Someone else claims the student as a dependent.

-The taxpayer is married but filing separately from his or her spouse.

The taxpayer's adjusted gross income is \$100,000 or more if married and filing jointly, or is \$50,000 or more if the taxpayer is single, head of household, or a qualifying widow or widower. The full tax credit begins to phase out if the taxpayer's adjusted gross income is at least \$480,000 if the taxpayer is married and filing jointly, or at least \$40,000 if the taxpayer is single, the head of household, or a qualified widow or widower.

The Hope Credit is generally available to students who are in their first two years of college and meet the following eligibility requirements:

-The maximum credit amount is \$1,500 per student per tax

Air Force ROTC alive and well at UML

by Unknown Source
Connector Contributor

Air Force ROTC has no plans of leaving UMass Lowell. The program is highly active with students from UMass Lowell and several other area colleges enrolled in the program. Enrolling in the program is simple; just register for the Aerospace Studies class.

Air Force ROTC is a commissioning program for Air Force officers. As a student, you would take one class and one lab each semester. You would then attend one four week training session between sophomore and junior year. So when you graduate, you are commissioned as a second lieutenant in the active duty Air Force. Although there are opportunities to participate in other exciting events while in the program, there are no "Weekend drill" requirements as many might believe.

Freshmen and sophomores are eligible to compete for scholarships that range from \$9,000 to \$15,000 per year. In addition, all juniors and seniors in the program are eligible for an automatic incentive that totals over \$6,600 per year. The



Air Force has opened a special program for students who will be academic juniors this fall. If you are a junior, give the AFROTC a call to enroll.

In addition to competitive scholarships, they have several noncompetitive scholarships to present to students. Currently, electrical engineering majors and meteorology majors can receive non-competitive scholarships if they join the AFROTC program. The AFROTC also have two scholarships to give away to qualified students each year. On top of all this, any student who receives an AFROTC scholarship is provided with free room and board at UMass Lowell

If you're curious about Air Force ROTC and how it might fit into your future, contact Captain Sean Harrington at 934-2252, Room 328, Southwick. Remember, there is absolutely no commitment to sign up for the class and check it out.

1/1/98 and 12/31/98, for academic periods between 1/1/98 and 3/31/99. In order to calculate the credit amount, take 20% of the first \$5,000 paid in eligible tuition and fees. Eligible students are those taking any number of post-secondary classes to improve or acquire job skills. The student may not claim the Hope Credit as well.

In order to calculate the credit amount, take 100% of the first \$1,000 paid in eligible tuition and fees, and add 50% of the next \$1,000 paid. The following are eligible:

-Students who have not completed their first two years of college, university, or other post-secondary education as of 1/31/97.

-Students who are enrolled in a program that leads to a degree, certificate, or other recognized educational credential.

-Students who are taking at least one-half of the normal full-time workload for their course of study for at least one academic period beginning in 1998.

-Students who have not been convicted of a felony for possessing or distributing a controlled substance.

-Students who have not also claimed the Lifetime Learning Credit.

The Lifetime Learning Credit is generally available for those students who are not eligible for the Hope Credit because they are beyond their first two years of college. The maximum credit amount is \$1,000 per tax return per year (regardless of number of students applying for the credit). The eligible expenses are qualified tuition and fees, not including room and board personal expenses, paid between

For more tax information, UMass Lowell will provide you with information about what expenses are eligible to be used for the tax credit. This information will be provided on the 1098-T form. For more information on education tax benefits contact:

Internal Revenue Service at <http://www.irs.ustreas.gov>
Department of Education at <http://www.ed.gov>

For more financial aid information, use the following information to find out about grants, loans, or other financial aid programs. You should also contact the financial aid office on campus.

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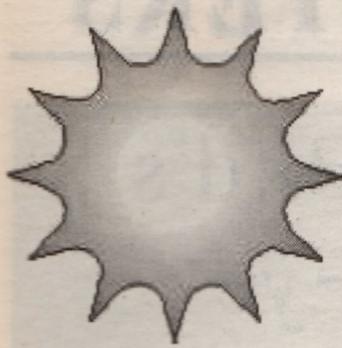
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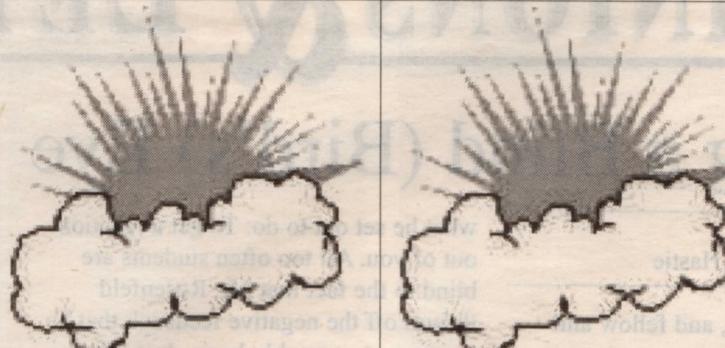
The Lowell Area Weather Forecast



by Prof. Scott Kaplan

Tuesday: Another delightful day is expected as high pressure moves across the region. Plenty of sunshine with just a few fair-weather clouds popping up in the afternoon. Highs will be right around 60 degrees.

Tuesday Night: Clear to partly cloudy skies and seasonably cool. Lows will be in the lower 40s.



Wednesday: Morning sunshine will give way to increasing clouds as a cold front moves toward the region. A few showers are possible late in the day. It will remain mild with highs reaching the lower 60s.

Wednesday Night: Cloudy with a few showers in the evening, then becoming clear to partly cloudy overnight. Lows will again be in the lower 40s.

Thursday: More sunshine than cloudiness as another area of high pressure starts to build into the region. Temperatures will remain a little above normal as highs once again reach the lower 60s.

For an extended outlook, including the upcoming weekend, please check our web page at <http://storm.uml.edu> or call the UMass Lowell Weather Hotline at x3999. If you have any weather related questions or would like to visit our facilities, please feel free to come up to the weather lab. We are located on North Campus inside the Olney Science Building, Room 312.

Rites of passage: Bat Mitzvah

by Noreen Volpe
Connector Contributor

In the first article of the series called Rites of Passage: Individual Faith Stories, I spoke of confirmation in the Catholic faith. Today I'll be writing about the rite of passage in the Jewish faith: Bat Mitzvah. Bat Mitzvah, which means daughter of God, is when a girl of thirteen becomes an adult member of her synagogue. Bar Mitzvah means "son of God." There are three branches in Judaism: Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform. My friend Alisa is a member of the Reform Jewish faith. In Reform Judaism, women have more freedoms than women in the Orthodox faith. Alisa is allowed to attend and pray during Jewish services.

Alisa's preparation for Bat Mitzvah began in the first grade. At that time she began learning to read and write in Hebrew. Her preparation for her Bat Mitzvah ceremony began about six months before the ceremony.

She also began to learn about adult responsibilities in her faith community and learned how to read and understand the Torah, and other special prayers. Alisa recited these prayers, spoken in Hebrew, during her Bat Mitzvah ceremony.

Alisa's Bat Mitzvah ceremony was carried out during a religious service where she and her family "were the only ones present with the Rabbi during the ceremony. No other members of the congregation were permitted to be in the chapel while the service was going on. This is just a personal preference of the temple I belong to," Alisa said.

Alisa's Bat Mitzvah was held during a regular Saturday morning prayer service, with the only difference being that she led some of the prayers during the service and read from the Torah for the first time.

Candidates making their Bat or Bar Mitzvah wear a special garment called a Tallis. Though it is not mandatory for girls to wear a Tallis when they make their Bat Mitzvah, Alisa did

wear one. The fringes on the Tallis remind Alisa of the 613 commandments for the Torah, which she is expected to follow. The Tallis is usually worn on high holidays, such as Yom Kippur, and at Temple on Saturday mornings.

How did Alisa feel after she made her Bat Mitzvah? "I felt...because it was a great accomplishment for me to get through it. It was not easy learning the Hebrew for it and taking the time to prepare for. I now feel that I am an adult member with my faith. I still do not feel that I am forced to do everything God commands adults to do because I am free to make my own decisions. I feel closer to God now that I have had my Bat Mitzvah. When I wear the Tallis, I am reminded that I am supposed to obey all of the commandments."

Anyone interested in sharing her or his faith story may contact Reverend Stulken at 934-5014 or Noreen at her campus mail box, #6702.

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Student mothers return to school

by Andrea Constantinou
Connector Contributor

In today's world the reality is it's hard to find work without an education. Returning to school is the answer, but maybe not if you have a child.

According to Cathy Chang, a member of the UMass Lowell counseling center there are not any programs geared to helping mothers return to school or mothers that are currently enrolled. Although there are no programs only geared to mothers, there is a Returning Student Association drop in center for everyone. She is aware of the problem and feels that there should be programs for mothers.

Noel Cartwright, the director

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incoherent splattering of paint to see who can be better", said Mike Cappuccio. Other rocks that were bare now have paint randomly sprayed on them. The graffiti has grown out of control and has become a serious blemish on the campus.

While some may look at this as art, others look at the painting in total disgust no matter how neat it is. "The river is a thing of beauty and is meant for everyone to enjoy," said UML Police Chief James Rowe. Chief Rowe looks at the bridge and the river as "a sort of connector between the campus's at UML".

The bridge may act as this but the rocks belong to the city of Lowell. Chief Rowe said that any student that is caught defacing the rocks will have to face a double punishment. The city of Lowell will charge the students

of the counseling center, has the answer to this problem "Finances are a major issue." He states that there is not enough funding for daycare or special need programs for mothers. State colleges are not apt to have daycare centers as do some private schools.

When asked her opinion on the subject matter, a junior at UMass Lowell and mother of a one year old son states that "it would be very helpful to me if there was some sort of daycare or support groups".

Although UMass Lowell does not have any programs, Northern Essex has a women's resource network for helping with only women, who are full time mothers and students.

with defacing of property and the student will face administrative action from the school.

Chief Rowe said that authorities have taken a new approach to vandalism by cleaning up the mess to keep things "in Check." This is a bit more difficult to do down in the river. Painting the rocks causes long term problems dealing with the beautification of the river.

Dean Thomas Taylor, the Assistant Dean of Students, said that students caught defacing the rocks will be subject to the student conduct code. They will go on probationary status and be given community service. The community service will most likely involve the beautification of the campus.

The defacing of the rocks have now left everyone in disgust. A once small problem has been blown up to an unsightly mess.

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OPINIONS & LETTERS**Turning a Blind (Bird's) Eye**

by Mike Hastie

Dear friends, students, and fellow anti-Bird's Eye Viewers,

I come to you with a bit of advice. Accept it or not, I think it might be a helpful hint to those who wish to defeather the Bird. I, just as a healthy population of Connector readers does, think the arguments and opinions of Mr. Ross Brian Rosenfeld are futile and ineffectual. But he does live in America, and along with that comes the freedom of speech, the press, and of course, opinion. But I think Mr. Rosenfeld's motives lie deeper than his convictions.

I imagine that an article neighboring that of my own is one that downgrades Mr. Rosenfeld and/or his opinion on any given matter (i.e. bus operations, weather conditions, Chancellor Hogan's receding hairline). If that is true, then Mr. Rosenfeld has successfully accomplished

"... a helpful hint to those who wish to defeather the Bird"

what he set out to do: To get a reaction out of you. All too often students are blind to the fact that Mr. Rosenfeld thrives off the negative feedback that he receives on a weekly basis. Just like the infamous Howard Stern, Mr. Rosenfeld doesn't care if you agree with his opinions or not, *as long as you're reading his article*. So my advice is this: If you don't like Mr. Rosenfeld or his opinions, then don't waste time reading his article. If you do happen to give the View a once-over and don't agree with what he's saying,

blow it off, keeping in mind that his arguments hold about as much water as a cracked thimble. This approach may work, it may not. But until we can slip an Alka-Seltzer into Mr. Rosenfeld's Crunchberries, we have no choice but to trudge through the semester, all the while turning a blind eye and a deaf ear to the Bird's squawking.

GSA vs. UML Libraries?by Rob Vellela
Connector Staff

This is in response to the "Umass Library Update" article in the March 30th Connector. It's starting to feel as though there is some kind of antagonism between the University Libraries and the Graduate Student Association. I think it's great that the GSA is trying to communicate with the libraries and their director Dr. Ben Franckowiak and trying to seek answers. It's nice to know that the libraries are working hard to upgrade systems and introduce new technology, such as the new automated phone system.

However, the GSA's real problem is with the libraries' hours. They have been pushing the issue for quite some time. Unfortunately, the officers of this organization don't realize what they're asking for. The university's libraries are open about 94 hours a week utilizing full-time workers as well as campus work program students. Libraries open at 7:30 AM during the week, and those full-time adult workers are there as early as 7 or even earlier. It would seem that the library is open a fairly good amount of time, but the GSA wants more.

A simple answer to keeping the libraries open more hours is by hiring more student workers. But, bear in mind that student workers aren't always the most reliable. Furthermore, hiring more campus work students requires more money from the campus work program. This isn't a library issue; this is a money issue.

"This isn't a library issue; this is a money issue."

Add to that another issue, that of truly reliable resources, and there's more of a problem. What student wants to work on the weekend or during Spring Break? I don't blame these students for taking time off; they deserve it, just like the rest of us. Also remember that these students have classes, homework, activities, and other commitments, just like graduate students.

As a student worker at O'Leary Library myself, I sympathize with Dr. Ben Franckowiak and the other library employees who are doing all that they can to satisfy the needs of the majority. In the past, library hours have been extended, and at one point, they were open until 2 in the morning. Not surprisingly, the libraries were empty at that time. The hours were also experimented with on Saturdays but, yet again, it seems that most students don't feel the need to get up early to study or do research on the weekends.

I think the library and the student workers are doing all they can, and we should appreciate this. It's a difficult situation, but it seems that only a small amount of people is asking for more hours. The article mentioned that "this... does not explain the early closing hours during break and over the summer." If the members of the GSA are so concerned, maybe they should apply for the campus work program next year, and volunteer their time on the weekends and late in the evenings. If they're not willing to do it, maybe they'll understand the real situation.

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During the 1998-99 academic year I will hold Open Meeting Hours for Faculty, Staff and Students. The schedule of times and locations is listed below:

Staff Hour 2:00 - 3:00
Student Hour 3:00 - 4:00
Faculty Hour 4:00 - 5:00

April 21 Durgin Hall, South Campus, Room 309

May 19 Trustees' Room, Cumnock Hall, N. Campus

Bird's Eye ViewRoss Brian Rosenfeld
Connector Staff

OK, folks...I got a little beef about beefing up. Here it is:

We got one gym, and an inadequate one at that. I mean, while other schools've got state-of-the-art weight-lifting equipment, we got a rope n' some bricks. But that I can deal with. What I can't deal with, though, is why the damn thing can't be open more often like it should be. I mean, how d'they expect me t'keep this incredibly buff physique if I can't go work-out when I want? It's terrible. All of it falls right into the "UMass-Lowell is closed on the weekends" category.

And what's with that stupid arrangement? Why can't the entrance be in front, where more parking spots are? Seems logical, doesn't it? Or would that just make too much sense? While we're at it, why don't we just put the entrance on the roof: then we can parachute in. - that be fun, wouldn't it?

And how 'bout they give ya something that's actually clean enough t'drink? I mean, have you ever taken a good look at the water there? - You'd be safer drinkin' pine tar. Taste's great, huh? That's all I need after a good work-out, is some good ole fashioned lead poisoning. Maybe when I'm done at the gym, I'll take a walk over t'that fine polluted river of ours and have myself a bath...

I dunno. The whole business seems dirty t'me.

PS: Last week's BEV read: "Milosevic, the Slobodan President." It should have read, "Milosevic, the Slovian President." Slobodan is his first name. Fitting, isn't it? I call him Slobby.

BLACK PEARLS**Fifth Annual****Reunion****Luncheon****Saturday, April****10th****11:00 am -****2:00pm****Alumni Memorial Hall
University Ave.
North Campus**

Response to 'This One Out'

by Mike Murray

Kristen Sardynski says that she thinks that "someone from the Connector staff should make a statement about the infamous Ross Brian Rosenfeld." I think it is extremely inappropriate for an editor to write an editorial about someone who regularly writes for the paper. As an opinion columnist, Ross does not follow the same guidelines of "journalistic integrity" that a

news columnist does. Ross is an agitator. Agitators are helpful because they call attention to problems which otherwise might be ignored. The more he annoys people, the better he is at his job. (Also Ross, the more you focus on the actual University, the more useful you are to it.)

Are you suggesting that as an editor you would, if you could, stop Ross from writing because you "disagree with the way he words his opinions" and "the rude way he comes across"? I am thankful that the law protects writers from editors which would do that.

Reply to 'Sour Note'

Stacey L. Russell

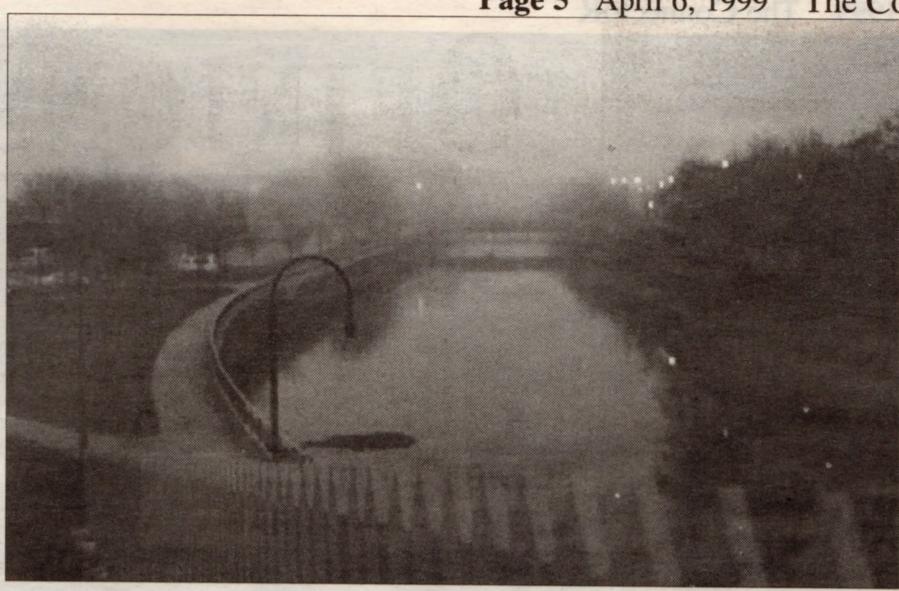
You music students should get together with your professors and correct this situation. How many pianos need tuning? How many full-time piano tuners would it take to handle that workload in a week? Which professors know how to tune a piano?

Once you define the problem, then you can look at your alternatives. Hiring full-time piano tuners is too expensive an option as you say your department is out of funds. If other departments hire teaching assistants and train them to run and troubleshoot equipment, why can't the music department hire a group of WORK-STUDY students to be piano tuners?

Each student would work 5-

10 hours per week after an initial training period. A professor or other staff member who knows how to tune pianos would do the training/supervising. The federal government pays the work-study salaries. If you make the group of tuners a student club, you may be able to get a few dollars for equipment. I don't know exactly what's involved in tuning, but I'm guessing that you need tools.

So, run this by your fellow music students and professors. I'm sure a few of your professors know how to tune pianos and would be very interested in keeping your pianos in tune. If you get organized this semester, next fall will be harmonious.



Spring is here. And finals are slowing approaching. So for a piece of quiet solitude travel down to the river walk that begins at Fox Hall and is currently being expanded along the canal. Or if the opportunity occurs, take a trip down to Sheey Park by South Campus which is also under continuing development.

CONSTRUCTION SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED

Massachusetts Construction Advancement Program (MCAP) is offering scholarship aid to sophomores and juniors enrolled in full-time civil engineering, construction and construction management disciplines. These scholarships may be used by students to help defray tuition and/or living costs for the 1999-2000 academic year.

Applications have been distributed to civil engineering and building construction technology departments at Massachusetts colleges and universities which offer construction-oriented degrees.

Completed applications and transcripts of grades must be returned to MCAP by April 1, 1999.

MASSPIRG worthwhile

Jeff Todd
Connector Staff

As we near the time to vote on whether to keep the MASSPIRG chapter here on campus, I want to add my voice to those who support the organization. MASSPIRG is one of the few groups on campus where students can work on what is important to them. Students run

the group. The Board of Directors is composed of students. Students decide what issues MASSPIRG will work on. Students choose the Executive Director who hires a professional staff to carry out the goals that students choose.

In the current times, students are often accused of being apathetic. However, at UMass Lowell, the MASSPIRG chapter has consistently grown over the last several years. As Chapter Chair in the 1987-1988 academic year, we had only a handful of students involved and focused only on two projects. Due to the hard work of the MASSPIRG campus organizing staff and the relevance of the issues to students on this campus, the chapter has grown to be able to work on several issues this year including the Water Watch, the National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness, the 10th anniversary of Exxon Valdez, and advancing the cause of the National Arctic Wildlife Refuge.

In addition, MASSPIRG's victories over the years have benefited students directly as well as the communities we live in. One of MASSPIRG's first victories in Massachusetts was to eliminate the meal tax on student meals. This saved hundreds of dollars for college students on meal plans and other food purchased through the cafeterias. In addition the new and used car lemon laws were authored and supported by MASSPIRG allowing students and citizens to have a recourse when cars they buy are defective. Another accomplishment was the passage of check clearing limits which keep banks from putting holds on local checks for more than a couple of days. Prior to the passage of that legislation it was common

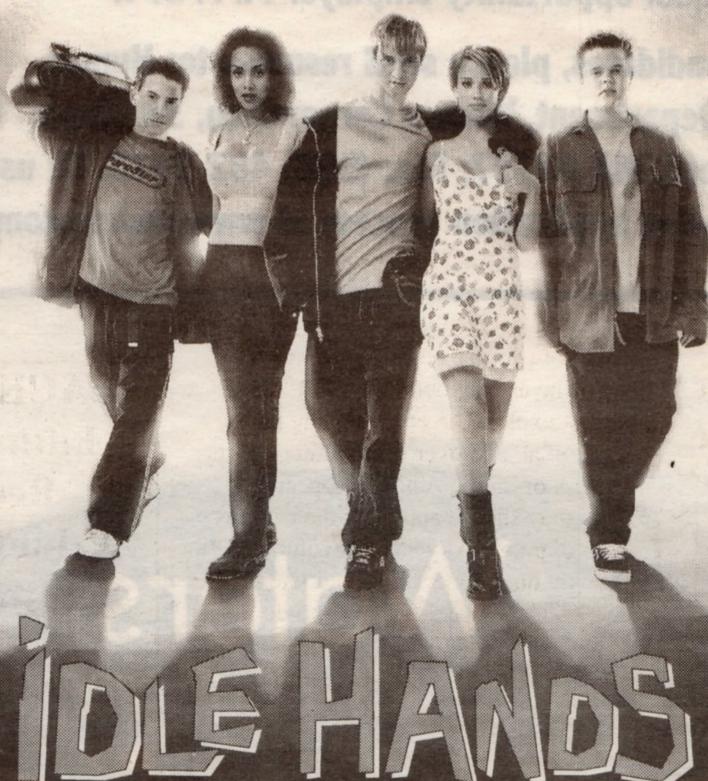
for banks to put holds on local checks for up to a week after it was deposited.

On the community protection frontier, MASSPIRG has been a leader in establishing legislation to clean up toxic waste and in assuring the enforcement of those laws. The cleanup of numerous toxic waste sites in our communities, Andover, Billerica, Chelmsford, Dracut, Haverhill, Lawrence, Lowell, North Andover, North Reading, Tewksbury, Wilmington and Woburn. In Lowell alone, there are at least 22 listed Superfund sites. While MASSPIRG and other state PIRGs alone can not be credited with the establishment of the Superfund, it was a key player in establishing and enforcing these regulations.

Finally, through the Toxics Use Reduction Act passed in 1989, MASSPIRG has had a direct affect here at UMass Lowell. This state legislation which provided a "carrot and stick" approach to industries to coerce them into producing less toxic waste also established the Toxics Use Reduction Institute (TURI). TURI is a multi-disciplinary research, education, and technical support center which is a part of the Francis College of Education and located on North Campus. TURI has been a significant source of funding for the university.

There are many other accomplishments that students have had through their involvement in MASSPIRG. My own commitment to civic involvement began when I started working with MASSPIRG. The cost to students of maintaining this organization is well worth the investment. You should take advantage of what you have paid for.

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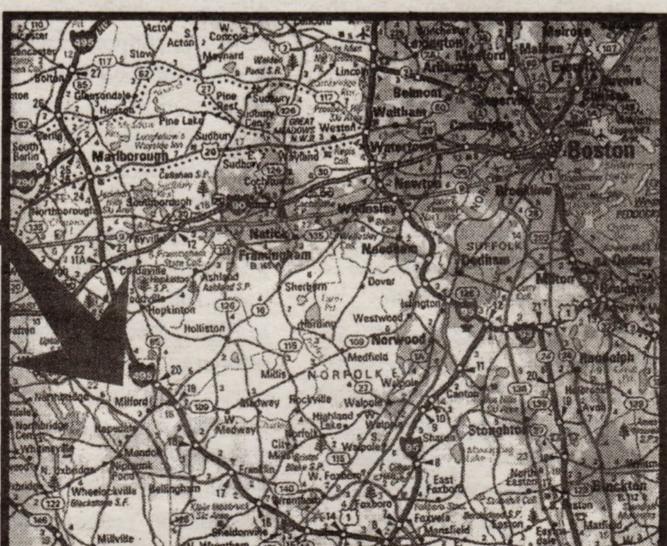
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MOVIE REVIEW



EDtv, a new Ron Howard film, is a sugar-coated satirical look at TV. See below.



Arts and Entertainment

Boy in a bubble



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Matthew McConaughey and Woody Harrelson play the Pekurny brothers--Ed and Ray--in the new Ron Howard comedy, "EDtv."

by Katie Hennessy
Connector Editor

Has television gone too far? Ron Howard looks at the extents to which TV invades privacy in *EDtv*. In the realm of *The Real World* and most recently *The Truman Show*, the film explores how television devours our lives.

The idea for the show comes from a San Francisco TV program manager, Cynthia (Ellen DeGeneres), who wants to film a 24-hour show on an average Joe. She finds Ed (Matthew McConaughey), a local video store clerk a perfect subject.

Ed signs a contract for a film crew to move in with him and follow him wherever he goes. The show begins rather ordinarily with Ed catching his first glimpse of his butt.

No one watches Ed until the drama begins. When the audience first notices how Shari (Jenna Elfman) looks at Ed, her boyfriend's brother, EDtv takes on a life of its own.

The cameras catch Ed's happy-go-lucky brother Ray (Woody Harrelson) the morning after a fling with, oops, not his girlfriend. Shari, of course, sees the whole thing on TV.

The whole world watches as Ed and Shari share their first kiss. Soon, the papers run poles

to find out who should be with Ed, the biggest celebrity of the moment. When he meets a beautiful aspiring model (Elizabeth Hurley), on *The Tonight Show*, viewers decide Shari is not fabulous enough for Ed.

Ed never seems bothered by the fame, nor does he succumb to it. The show rips apart the lives of his dubious mother (Sally Kirkland) and sickly stepfather (Martin Landau), but not Ed's.

Of course, Ed is supposed to be the last innocent in a corrupt world. The only time the show bothers him is when it affects the people he loves.

Matthew McConaughey plays Ed as an aw-shucks Texas cowboy. The trappings of fame cannot pervert his easy-going personality. He is adorable and earnest. Jenna Elfman is equally charming as his out-of-the-spotlight girlfriend.

Ron Howard seems an unlikely choice to direct a movie about the ills of television. After all, he did achieve great fame through *Happy Days* and *The Andy Griffith Show*. His apple pie image carries over into *EDtv*, as he never quite crosses the line. The film stops before viewers get too uncomfortable, making it a sugar-coated TV satire.

Pretty hate machines

by Michael Auclair
Connector Contributor

First of all, I want you to stop reading this review and go see *The Matrix* right now. Okay, if you're still reading this then you've decided to ignore my advice so I'll continue with the review.

The Matrix is best viewed by knowing as little of the plot as humanly possible. Not only is the story far too complicated to summarize, but true joy comes in finding out what the Matrix is and why it exists. As Laurence Fishburne's character says, "No one can be told what the Matrix is. You have to see it for yourself."

Given that, the film stars Keanu Reeves, Fishburne, the martial arts master Yuen Wo Ping, and a whole lot of special effects—not necessarily in that order. The effects are unparalleled and the fight sequences have to be seen to be believed.

Directed by the Wachowski brothers (*Bound*), *The Matrix* is filmmaking's future. They use every available trick to create the coolest film I've ever seen—characters dodge bullets, flip over people, run across walls,



Photo credit: Moshe Brakha

and jump across 80 foot rooftops.

Again, without saying too much plot-wise, the film is an amalgam of *Dark City*, *The Terminator*, Hong Kong action films, Frank Miller comic books, Japanese anime, and *Enter the Dragon*.

The script is great and the direction is some of the best I've witnessed. As for the performances, Laurence Fishburne is supremely cool as Morpheus, Carrie-Ann Moss is terrific as Trinity, Australian Hugo

The B/One Perspective is back with reviews of *Ugly Duckling* and *Rahzel*. See page 9.



Kenny Chesney's new album. See page 11.



His tractor's sexy?



Kenny Chesney's fifth album "Everywhere We Go" delivers jovial and sincere songs and music.

by Katie Hennessy
Connector Editor

No longer just a fresh-faced country boy, Kenny Chesney reveals his matured sound in "Everywhere We Go," his fifth album. Don't think for a second that he's lost any of his jovial vocals punctuated by slide guitars. Assuredly, he new album satisfies any Country fan.

The current single and number one smash "How Forever Feels" is a toe-tapping love song. Like the rest of the album, it plays like an irresistible summons to listen and sing along.

What will surely be the next single, "You Had Me From Hello" is a sweet and tender ballad. Inspired by a line in the Tom Cruise vehicle *Jerry Maguire*, Chesney confesses, "I never really had a chance you know/ You had me from hello."

Like so many Country ballads, the song captures love's sincere honesty.

"She Thinks My Tractor's Sexy" is a tongue-in-cheek romp. Chesney is not afraid to poke fun at himself with lines like, "She's even kind of crazy 'bout my farmer's tan."

"California" is a journeying wish, sounding a bit like James Taylor's "Carolina in my Mind."

Chesney performs a duet with Randy Travis, one of his heroes, in "Baptism," a life affirming pledge.

Kenny Chesney began touring this month with the star-studded "George Strait Country Music Festival," featuring Tim McGraw and the Dixie Chicks. His impressive and thoroughly entertaining "Everywhere We Go" will have fans demanding he headline his own shows.

At the Box Office

compiled by Katie Hennessy
Connector Editor

1. Forces of Nature, \$9.6 million
 2. EDtv, \$9 million
 3. Analyze This, \$8.8 million
 4. The Mod Squad, \$6.1 million
 5. Doug's 1st Movie, \$4.4 million
 5. Shakespeare in Love, \$4.4 million
 7. True Crime, \$3.3 million
 8. Life Is Beautiful, \$3.2 million
 9. Baby Geniuses, \$2.7 million
 10. Cruel Intentions, \$2.4 million
- source: Exhibitor Relations, Co.

WAAF Beach Party

by Stephanie Coldwell
Connector Contributor

WAAF held its second annual Indoor Beach Party Friday March 5 at the Tsongas Arena. The radio station helped music fans get ready for the upcoming summer season by encouraging people to wear beach clothes. One concert goer, John, stated "The whole beach atmosphere was something different that has never been at any of the other concerts I was at." As an incentive for wearing beach clothes made attendees eligible to win a trip to Florida.

Many did show up in their beach attire. The outfits ranged

from shorts and a T-shirt to thong bikinis and Speedos. The arena had a massage booth, T-shirt stands, merchandise tables, a booth to sign up for a best body contest, and of course beer stands.

The main attraction was WAAF's entertainment. Three bands—Queens of the Stoneage, Monster Magnet, and Godsmack—played. The crowd showed the most enthusiasm for Godsmack. John was one of the fans who thought Godsmack was the best band there, because as one fan said, "I like their kind of music they're a lot like Alice In Chains and they played the crowd really well."

Thrill-O-Mania

by Bill "The Thrill" Poccia
Connector Staff and all-around cool guy.

Well, it's been awhile, but the Thrill is back, and he's got full coverage of Wrestlemania XV and Monday nights action. Let's jump right in by saying Wrestlemania was OK. It was good as PPV's go, but weak as Wrestlemania's go. Last year's was better.

The tag team title match was a waste of time. It might have been better if D'lo and Test won, but I doubt it. The Sable vs. Tori for the women's title was horrible. It just sucked. It was nice to see Nicole Bass's debut in the federation though, she's huge. To steal a quote from Joey Styles of ECW, "Nicole Bass should call herself Russia, because she's twice the size of Chyna."

I actually enjoyed the Triple H vs. Kane match. Kane's effort impressed me, although I've never cared for HHH. In an interesting (but predictable) turn of events, Chyna turned on Kane and re-joined HHH. Degeneration X back at full strength? We'll see. The Paul Wight vs. Mankind match was short, with a screw job ending (I hate those at Wrestlemania). Mankind took a nice bump from "The Big Show", but ended up winning via Show's disqualification.

The only redeemable part was Vince McMahon getting laid out by Mr. Wight after he slapped him. Gee, nobody seems to like Vince anymore, huh? The X-

Pac/ Shane McMahon match was good for one reason—Triple H turned on X-Pac and beat the piss out of him. HHH is corporate, and you wanna know why? Because he's from Connecticut, baby.

The Butterbean vs. Bart Gunn fight never should have happened. I'm not gonna talk about the Hell in the Cell match. It sucked. I'm glad they hung Bossman though, that was cool. I had the same problem with both the Intercontinental match and the Hard-core match—the wrong guys were in it. They spent all this time developing the feuds, and then go pull a switcheroo with Dumb Ass and Road D-O-double G. I couldn't get into it. I liked what happened to Shamrock though, but he should have suplexed the ref too.

Main event time, it was OK as far as main events go. HBK's telling Vince off was the best part. We had the Rock vs. Stone Cold. Both men kicked out from the others finisher, which was nice, but in the end, it was Austin regaining the belt to become three time WWF world's champion. The last 15 minutes of the show, had Austin and the ref get drunk in the middle of the ring, yippee!

Monday night's action opens up with Austin claiming he doesn't want the championship belt, he wants his old custom made one that Vince stole over the summer. I loved it when Vince laid Austin out with the belt while Austin was sucking up to the crowd.

Stephanie McMahon finally

got kidnapped, but Shamrock found her (this is getting really stupid). The Rock and Dumb Ass put on a good match, but please, Billy, keep the tights on, OK. Just because your name is Ass, doesn't mean I want to see it. Goldust won the IC title, then said something stupid that made no sense, and X-Pac said he wants to smoke Triple H's ass or something. I wasn't paying attention because he sucks.

The show's finale was cool because Shane disobeyed his dad, gave the Rock Austin's custom belt, and finally started the feud between Austin and the Rock, something that should have been done a month ago. Going out on a limb here, but it looks like Shane might be looking to steal the company away from his dad. Maybe Shane is the higher power the Undertaker keeps referring to.

The best part of our wrestling weekend didn't happen on either WWF shows. Nope, it happened on WCW Nitro (stop laughing, I'm serious). Bret Hart showed us all why he truly is the best there is, the best there was, and the best there ever will be, when he fulfilled his promise and beat Goldberg in under five minutes. The metal plate under his shirt thing was pure genius. If you missed it, I'm sure they will show it a hundred different times on various WCW programs. Check it out.

Swerve of the week: Pete Rose getting tombstoned by Kane for the second Wrestlemania in a row. I almost pissed myself. I hope this becomes an annual event.

Josh's Video Store

by Joshua Spencer
Connector staff

American History X is the big video release this week. Edward Norton stars in his Oscar nominated performance as a man struggling to change himself and save his younger brother's (Edward Norton) life before violence and racism consume him.

The film is one of the breakthrough films of the year and gained notoriety through Norton's breathtaking performance.

Meet Joe Black is a full blast romantic film. It is the story of a millionaire business man, played by Anthony Hopkins, who's time is up. Brad Pitt plays the awaiting Death, but in human form.



Edward Norton stars in the urban drama, "American History X."

The story develops around Death and Hopkins' daughter. Death allows Hopkins a lame-duck period, while he pursues and falls madly in love with his only daughter.

The movie is way to long, but it makes up for it with good acting and a strong story.

My video pick of the week is in the spirit of the letter "X."

Malcolm X is the best film of Denzel Washington's career. He received a best actor Oscar nomination for his performance, but lost to Al Pacino

in *Scent of a Woman*. It is a moving portrayal of the deception and misunderstanding leading to his untimely death.

throughout the entire play, that being a gigantic mass of pure ice. But to add some static to the play, the lighting was altered quite frequently to represent the current emotions being portrayed. Even sounds of the wind blowing made the scene more realistic.

As the two characters, Harold and Taylor, fight for their lives, they try to make the best out of the situation. In their conversations, one could find quick, witty remarks at times, but serious, heart-warming words at others.

The biggest dilemma throughout is not limited to just how they're going to get off the mountain, but whether or not

Taylor would leave Harold, who has pretty much zero chance at getting down alive. Having a concussion, broken leg, and frost bite, Harold's last remaining wish is for Taylor to leave him there and get down so that he can tell his wife and son that he loves them.

K2 is a play about friendship, survival, loyalty and honor.

The Return Students Association offered *K2* at a discounted rate of \$10 a ticket.

A rocky friendship

by Melissa Vallerand
Connector Staff

On Sunday, March 28, spectators gathered in the Merrimack Repertory Theater to view just how trivial life can be for two friends when they're stuck on a mountain ledge merely four feet wide on top of a wall that's 27,000 feet in length. With only two actors carrying the play, Peter Bradbury and Derek Nelson, *K2*'s finale received a standing ovation. It was obvious to anyone that the crowd, although not a sold out audience, truly appreciated what the play had to offer.

The set didn't change

Tweeter names summer lineup

by Joshua Spencer
Connector Staff

Hello Tweeter Center, goodbye Great Woods. The Tweeter Center for the Performing Arts is the new name for the great concert venue in Mansfield, MA. To add to the change, Ticketmaster will replace Next ticketing for all shows at the venue. This means that prices will skyrocket for shows this summer.

The first large show is Livefest 1999 with Lenny Kravitz, The Black Crowes, and Everlast playing on May 28. Tickets are already on sale. The WBCN River Rave and Kiss Concert return this summer, but the bands have not been named yet.

The '60s and '70s are also well represented this summer.

Bob Dylan and Paul Simon will perform together on July 22, the Steve Miller Band plays on July 31, and Mansfield regulars the Allman Brothers have two shows scheduled this summer on June 26 and August 20.

The surprise acts of this summer are Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers coming July 9, and Phish on July 12 and 13. The biggest surprise this summer is the J. Geils Band reuniting on July 23 and 24.

The Tweeter Center starts off its new ownership with one hell of a great line-up this summer. This follows last summer's horrible Great Woods lineup. The concerts are good, but watch out for rising prices. Ticketmaster is no Wal-Mart and will raise prices as high as possible for all shows, so be prepared.



JULIE

THE BONE PERSPECTIVE

by Brian McGoldrick
Connector Contributor

Ugly Duckling / Fresh Mode EP
/ 1500 Records

Beats *****

Young Einstein digs deep into the vaults of jazz/soul LPs

Rhymes *****

Andycat and Dizzy Dustin "rip it" with old-school influenced, irreverent flows.

Creativity *****

Intangibly original!
Highlights: "Fresh Mode," "Now Who's Laughin,'" "Do You Know What I'm Saying?"



Fresh Mode takes Hip-Hop

back to its essence. With two MCs (Andycat & Dizzy) and one DJ (Einstein), Ugly Duckling perform "rap music" the way it was originally done—looped melodic jazz and soul grooves manipulated by a DJ on two turntables while one or more rappers recites bragadocios, crowd-pleasing rhymes to the beat.

Case in point: "I know the ropes like Sugar Ray, I'll never hesitate to turn a heavy weight into Skreech [into Skreech?], 'cause I'm the mack like Zach Morris, and your tourist...lost, so I'm kicking with a force like Chuck Norris..."

Equipped with a DJ cut* and

seven other outstanding old-school influenced tracks, *Fresh Mode* is a Hip-Hop "underground" masterpiece. The bottom line is that you won't hear these guys jammin'.

If you would like to hear some real Hip-Hop, visit your local record store and peep the release date for *Ugly Duckling's Fresh Mode* and pick it up.

*a song designated for the DJ to exhibit his scratching/cutting skills consisting of very few lyrics and many samples.

Rahzel / All I Know 12"/ MCA

Beats: *****

Rhymes: ****

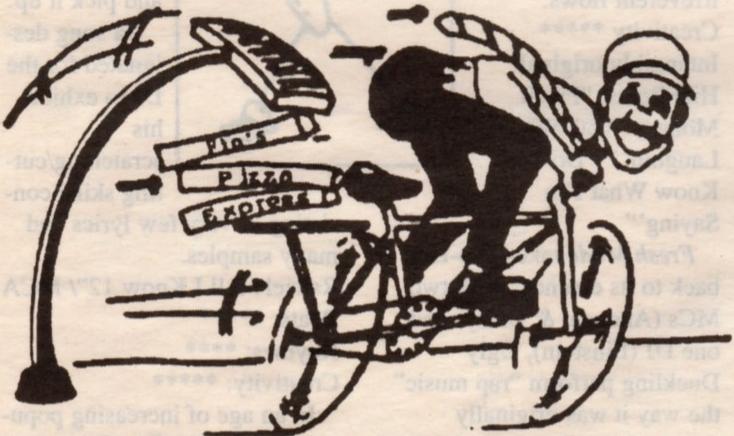
Creativity: *****

In an age of increasing popularity of the DJ, The Godfather of Noize, Rahzel, arises to bless the world of hip hop with devastating turntable skills without turntables. Introduced to us through The Roots, Rahzel has been sound effects/beat-boxing his way to our hearts for several years now and finally, a solo album. He can rhyme too! Who would have thought? With Pete Rock on production and (of course) Rahzel on vocals and scratches...pick it up!

"We tend to view classical music as this venerable and sacred thing. A guy like Mozart was simply a pop star of his day. Had he been around, he would have probably been in The Beatles on keyboard."

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Ask Marina

Dear Marina

I can't believe I'm graduating. It's about time. I have a few questions before I go out into the real world. The first is what should I do about my man? He is a junior. Though we are the same age, he won't graduate for another year. Now this wouldn't be a problem but I'm going to Columbia for grad school. He will be going to grad school but it will most likely be somewhere in Florida. Things aren't looking too hopeful for us. The only thing I know is that I love him very much. Now, he realizes I'm leaving soon so he is preparing himself for the worst. I don't want to deliver the worst. But do I have a choice?

Another thing I'm worried about is that I'm moving to a place where I don't know anyone. Granted I'm 22, and that should mean that I'm secure about this. I'm not. It is a scary thing, and I'm not going to have my boyfriend out there. It's a big school and I hope to meet people but I've never been known to be sociable.

And last but not least. . . . I have no other way to say this. I think I'm bisexual. Now this is confusing \$#!t. I have a good friend and I find her attractive. Granted I am completely in love with my boyfriend, I still find her attractive. There are no feelings, just confusion. I'm stressed out of my mind right now and have no good friends to talk to. I don't make it a habit of talking to strangers but why not, you don't know me and you will answer. And I thank you for this.

Leaving soon,
Sarah

Dear Sarah,
To answer your first question, yes, you do have a choice in whether you decide to break up with your boyfriend or not. Just because you are relocating to Columbia University, doesn't mean that you have to leave your boyfriend. You only need to end the relationship if you want to. Long distance relationships can work if both parties truly want to be together, and stay together. It's up to both of you.

To answer your second question, you do not need to worry about meeting people at Columbia. You did it once,

when you came here, and you can do it again.

As for your alleged bisexuality, I can't verify it. You say that you have no feelings for her, and haven't taken any action...you just find her attractive. That happens all the time amongst friends. It is very natural and innocent.

Don't jump to any conclusions with any of these matters. Only time will tell.

Marina

Dear Marina,

I got in a fight last week at my frat house. There were some kids kicking the \$@%t out of some guy in the corner and I stepped in and saved his ass. Now, when I grabbed him out of there, three other guys came over and jumped me. I have no idea who they are or anything, but they literally beat the \$@%t out of me for no reason. Now I have at least ten brothers who think that I am a loser because I lost. This sucks. The way I see it, they shouldn't care if I lost or not. The problem is, they shouldn't care but they are the only guys I hang with on campus. Should I just say "forget 'em" and find new friends, or should I try to hang with them, ignoring their comments. What do you think?

I'm not putting my name. Sorry.

Dear no name,
First of all, you are not a loser; you set out to save the "guy in the corner" and you succeeded. You saved him. Mission accomplished. You were attacked after that, and there was nothing that you could have done to protect yourself, being outnumbered three to one. Your brothers, instead of calling you a loser, should take a look at themselves. Afterall, you were at your Frat House, thus implying all of your "loyal" brothers were around. So, where were they? Why didn't they step in to help you while you were "in the corner"?

They should not be ridiculing you, but apologizing to you instead. You should confront them on this issue, and judging by their responses, then make your decision. Remember, they now have one big strike against them, and you may not survive two more.

Marina

Monday Night Ritual

by Mbiti Jean-Pierre
Connector Staff

Fox Hall—It's around 8:45 as they descend from Fox Hall's dormitories to The Common. They're probably contemplating which superstar or broadcast will provide them the best entertainment tonight. Will it be Goldberg or Stone Cold Steve Austin, the New World Order (NWO) or De-Generation-X—World Championship Wrestling (WCW) or World Wrestling Federation (WWF).

Wrestling has the nation in an adrenaline-induced frenzy. It's become one of the most recognizable forms of entertainment. With a profitable market of CD's, dolls, sell out arenas and pay-per-view specials, and best-selling magazines wrestling has become an indomitable force. It's popular with both the young

and the old as proven by its most ardent fans: college students.

At exactly 8:57 pm, cacophonic eruptions of cheers erupt from the television set on the opposite end of the Common's double-doors. "Raw is War," the popular wrestling soap of the WWF begins and students quickly order their food and flock to the couches before the TV set. Those new to the event are clued in on the happenings of every superstar that enter the ring.

"You see, Stone Cold won the belt over the Rock, but it's a fake belt. The 'Corporation' set him up," explained one student to another.

But such chatter is often interrupted by the awaited utterance of one wrestler's trademark battle cry: "I got two words for you: Suck It," says De-Generation-X's X-Pac as he

heads to the middle of the ring to vent some frustrations. The students break down in laughter and revel in their own excitement.

The channel is turned to the WWF's counterpart to "Raw is War", WCW's "Monday Nitro." But the focus is on "The Rock" and not the whereabouts of "Sting."

The students come and go depending on their interest in the wrestler. Every Monday the atmosphere is jubilant, loud at times, and interactive.

One student starts to make a comment but it's interrupted as he joins his mates in a synchronized cry: "Do you smell what the rock is cooking," followed by cheers from all. He tries it again: "I'm here every Monday. It's fun and it's good to know so many people have the same interest."

On Monday, April 12, there will be an Easter Egg Hunt for underprivileged children in Fox Hall. Volunteers to assist with the festivities would be greatly appreciated.

If interested please contact:
Brad Duquette @x5015 or the Fox Hall office @x5146.

Thank you.

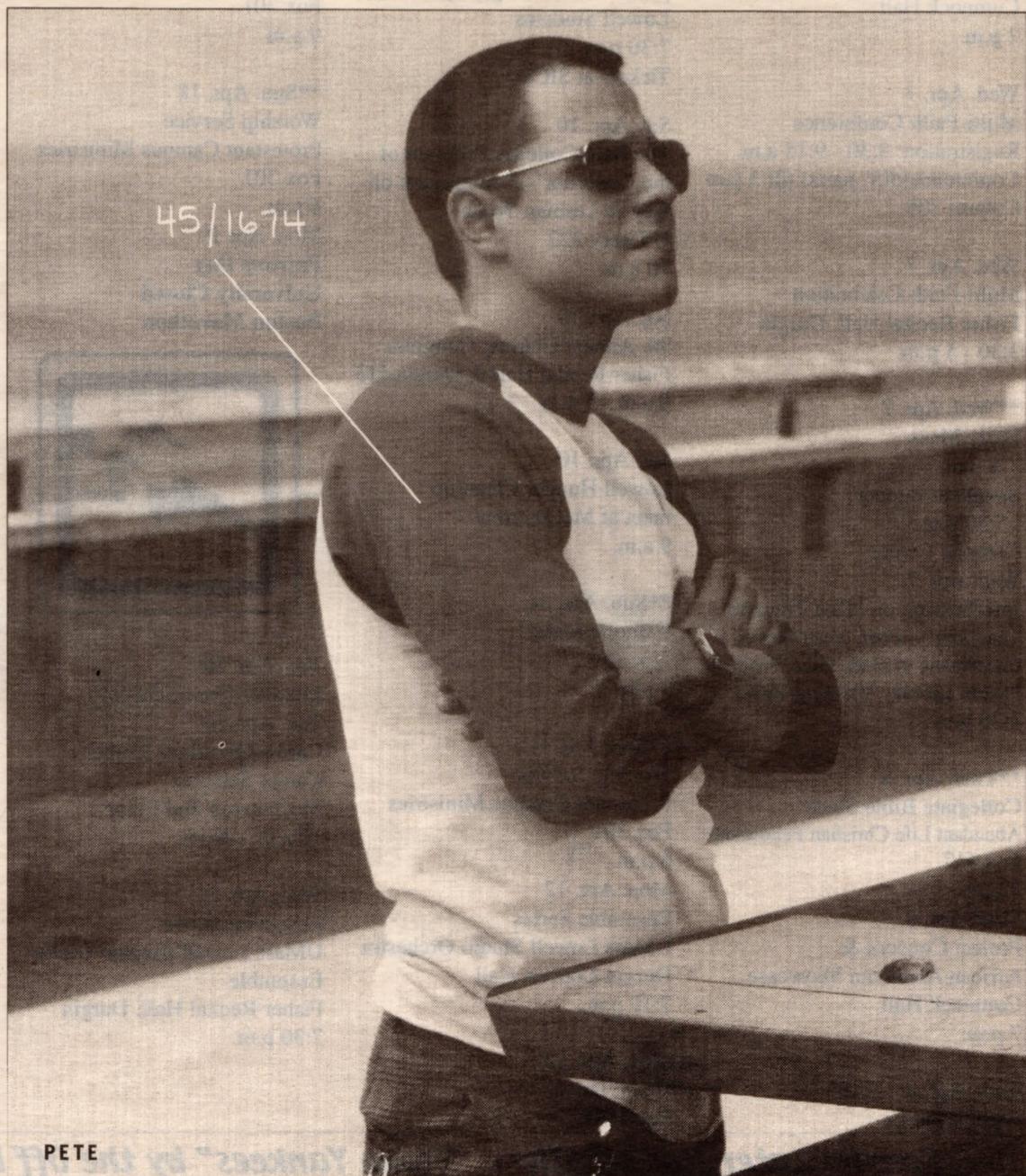
Rob's Quotes of the Week

by Rob Vellala
Connector Staff

"Always do sober what you said you'd do drunk. That will teach you to keep your mouth shut." - Ernest Hemingway

"Always remember that I have taken more out of alcohol than alcohol has taken out of me." - Winston Churchill

"Beer is proof that God loves us and wants us to be happy." - Benjamin Franklin



PETE

CAMPUS CALENDAR

Faculty Advising Period

Now -
Friday, April 16th

**(Date) = Weekly Event

Tue. Apr. 6
Career Question Corner
McGauvran 2nd Floor
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Tue. Apr. 6
Resume Writing Workshop
Pasteur 217
10:30 a.m.

**Tue. Apr. 6
Indepth Bible Study
Abundant Life Christian Fellowship
Fox 617
7 p.m.

Tue. Apr. 6
The Masquerade
Master's Gaming Konnection
Fox 301
7 p.m. - Midnight

Tue. Apr. 6 & Wed. Apr. 7
"Saving Private Ryan"
playing at Cumnock Auditorium
8 p.m.
Free admission for students

Wed. Apr. 7
Chancellor Hogan's Address to
the Senior Class
Cumnock Hall
2 p.m.

Wed. Apr. 7
Multi-Faith Conference
Registration: 8:30 - 9:15 a.m.
Conference(diff. parts) till 3 p.m.
Coburn 205

Wed. Apr. 7
Multi-Faith Celebration
Fisher Recital Hall, Durgin
3:30 - 5 p.m.

**Wed. Apr. 7
Daily Mass
5 p.m.
Spaghetti Supper
5:30 p.m.
Catholic Center
Wed. Apr. 7
Info Session on "Fast Track to
Teaching" - Prof. Vera Ossen,
Coordinator of UML Grad. Program
Lydon Library Viewing Room
3:30 p.m.

**Thur. Apr. 8
Collegiate Bible Study
Abundant Life Christian Fellowship
Fox 617
7 p.m.
Thur. Apr. 8
Project Concern &
African American Showcase
Cumnock Hall
7 p.m.

Thur. Apr. 8
Faculty Series

William Moylan, Jean Danton,
David Martins & Thomas Stumpf
Durgin Concert Hall
7:30 p.m.

Fri. Apr. 9
Deadline for nominations for
Student Activities Recognition
Awards
McGauvran 224

Fri. Apr. 9
Physical Therapy Club vs Bay
State Wheelers in a Wheel Chair
Basketball Game
Costello Gym
7:30 p.m.
\$3 admission

Fri. Apr. 9
Peace Fest '99
South Campus Quad
4 - 6:30 p.m.

Fri. Apr. 9 & Sat. Apr. 10
"Rent", the Musical, will be
performed in Durgin by UMass
Lowell Students
7:30 p.m.

Tickets at SICs

Sat. Apr. 10
The Safe Colleges Program of
the Governor's Commission on
Gay & Lesbian Youth
O'Leary 222
10 a.m.

Sat. Apr. 10
9th Annual Clarinet Congress
Fisher Recital Hall & Durgin 113
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sat. Apr. 10
Lowell Hunger Clean-up
meet at McGauvran
9 a.m.

**Sun. Apr. 11
Catholic Mass
Fox 301
9 p.m.

**Sun. Apr. 11
Worship Service
Protestant Campus Ministries
Fox 301
6 p.m.
Mon. Apr. 12
Ensemble Series
UMass Lowell Studio Orchestra
Durgin Concert Hall
7:30 p.m.

Mon. Apr. 12
Blood Drive
Fox MPR

11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Tue. Apr. 13
Career Questions Corner
McGauvran 2nd Floor
10 a.m. - Noon

**Tue. Apr. 13
Indepth Bible Study
Abundant Life Christian Fellowship
Fox 617
7 p.m.
Tue. Apr. 13 & Wed. Apr. 14
"A Civil Action"
playing at Cumnock Auditorium
8 p.m.
Free admission for students

Wed. Apr. 14
Blood Drive
Fox MPR
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Wed. Apr. 14
Daily Mass
5 p.m.
Spaghetti Supper
5:30 p.m.
Catholic Center

Thur. Apr. 15
"Take Our Daughters to
College" Day
Thur. Apr. 15
Chancellor's Award Applications
Due Back at Dean of Student
Services - Cumnock Hall

**Thur. Apr. 15
Collegiate Bible Study
Abundant Life Christian
Fellowship

Fox 617
7 p.m.
Fri. Apr. 16
Faculty Advising Period Ends

**Sun. Apr. 18
Catholic Mass
Fox 301
9 p.m.

**Sun. Apr. 18
Worship Service
Protestant Campus Ministries
Fox 301
6 p.m.

Mon. Apr. 19
Patriots Day
University Closed
Boston Marathon



Tue. Apr. 20
Monday Class Schedule

Tue. Apr. 20
Career Questions Corner
Career Services
McGauvran 2nd Floor
10 a.m. - Noon

Wed. Apr. 21
Ensemble Series
UMass Lowell Electric Guitar
Ensemble
Fisher Recital Hall, Durgin
7:30 p.m.

Tsongas Arena Events:

(978) 848-6900

Fri. Apr. 30
Allpro Bull Riders
Championship Finals
7 p.m.
Tickets \$16

Sat. May 1
Allpro Bull Riders
Championship Finals
2 p.m. & 7 p.m.
Tickets \$16

Sat. May 14
Mass Destruction:
The UltimateNight of Fighting
7:30 p.m.
Tickets \$25 & \$50

Lock Monsters

Tickets \$11 - \$22

Fri. Apr. 9
vs Portland Pirates
7:35 p.m.

Fri. Apr. 16
vs Fredericton Canadians
7:35 p.m.

Sports:

Intramural Sports:

Mon. Apr. 12
Miniature Golf
Entries Open

Wed. Apr. 14
Weightlifting
Entries Close

Tue. Apr. 20
Volleymania
Entries Open

Wed. Apr. 21
Miniature Golf
Entries Close

Meetings:

**Tue. Apr. 6
Art History Club
Coburn Hall 300
4 p.m.

**Tue. Apr. 6
The Connector - Newspaper
Fox 426
6 p.m.

**Tue. Apr. 6
RHA
Fox 501
7:30 p.m.

Wed. Apr. 7
Off Broadway Players
Mahoney Auditorium
6 p.m.

**Mon. Apr. 12
Engineering Student Council
Kitson 313
4:30 p.m.

Off Campus Events:

Sat. Apr. 10
Count Basie Orchestra
Mechanics Hall
321 Main St., Worcester, MA
8 p.m.
call (508)754-3231 for tickets
and info

Apr. 14 & Apr. 16 - 18
"To See the Stars"
Wellesley College Theatre
106 Central St. Wellesley, MA
Apr. 14 & 16 - 8 p.m.
Apr. 17 & 18 - 2 p.m.
\$10 admission

Apr. 15, 17, 18
"A Musical Cabaret"
Wellesley College Theatre
106 Central St. Wellesley, MA
Apr. 15 & 17 - 8 p.m.
Apr. 18 - 7 p.m.
\$12 admission

Boston Celtics:
@ Fleet Center
www.ticketmaster.com

Wed. Apr. 7
vs Washington
7 p.m.

Fri. Apr. 9
vs Philadelphia
7 p.m.

Sun. Apr. 11
vs Chicago
8 p.m.

Mon. Apr. 12
vs Cleveland
7 p.m.

Wed. Apr. 14
vs Atlanta
7 p.m.

Fri. Apr. 16
vs Miami
8 p.m.

Mon. Apr. 19
vs Indiana
8 p.m.

Wed. Apr. 21
vs Philadelphia
7 p.m.

The Connector

This page of the newspaper is
compiled by the calendar editor
of *The Connector*. The information
is acquired from many
sources around campus. If you
don't see something in the the
calendar that you know about,
please submit it or make the
editor aware of where he may be
able to find it.

Tuesdays
ALL Club Advertisements &
Administrative Announcements
have a strict **DEADLINE** to *The
Connector*, at noon NO exceptions!

Tuesdays
All **Calendar** submissions must
be in Connector office by 5 p.m.
Can be emailed to
Connector@uml.edu

Tuesdays
The Connector meeting
Fox 426
6 p.m.

Thursdays
All **articles** submitted to
The Connector . . . **DEADLINE**
at 5 p.m.

Tuesdays
The Connector becomes
available around campus

Coming Later This Month - "Damn Yankees" by the Off Broadway Player

POLICE LOG

by Kevin J. Buckley Jr.
& Rob Vellela
Connector Staff

TUESDAY
MARCH 16

22:14 Fire Alarm, Donahue, LFD responded

WEDNESDAY
MARCH 17

15:22 Threats by e-mail
19:14 Report of Persons Disturbing, Riverview Lot, GOA

THURSDAY
MARCH 18

20:55 Susp Act., Lovejoy Lot

FRIDAY
MARCH 19

11:51 Medical at Durgin Hall lobby, Trinity notified, transported to LGH

SATURDAY
MARCH 20

09:35 Access given to student to Durgin Hall to get personal property
18:12 MVA at University Ave & VFW

21:13 MV stop at Donahue lot, Susp. Activity, All set

MONDAY
MARCH 22

00:26 4th floor Leitch smoke detector reset, LFD
11:35 door in Olsen window smashed
15:43 Damage to MV Fox Lot
18:53 Susp Act, Standish St.
19:45 O'Leary Emergency alarm, unfounded

TUESDAY
MARCH 23

09:39 Donahue elevator no power for lights
13:09 Susp. car behind Eames, no problem
18:14 Susp. package, Southwick 223
14:00 Loud Music 4th floor Smith,

no answer at door, left message for RA
19:57 Medical Costello, EMT & Trinity responded, refused
20:55 Poss Domestic argument 40 East Meadow

WEDNESDAY
MARCH 24

04:33 Medical at Bourgeois Lobby, EMT notified, transported to St. Memorial
08:59 Bulgar alarm at the Ballpark
11:04 Prank calls, Leitch
14:07 Leitch, harassing phone calls
15:21 Trespass warning

THURSDAY
MARCH 25

08:09 Lights in Donahue elevator not working, notified maintenance
08:58 Olney fire alarm, accidental by installation crew; notified LFD
20:17 Medical Costello, Trinity responded, refusal
20:28 MV stop, missed red light; verbal warning

FRIDAY
MARCH 26

00:31 Check on MV in Donahue lot
00:49 Girl not feeling well, Leitch Hall, called in by RA
01:56 Check on students, Leitch
02:00 Transport person home
02:04 Susp persons, Fox hall
02:22 Student exposing himself, Leitch
03:57 Markings in Donahue elevator
06:29 MV vandalism
09:18 Person stuck in Fox freight elevator; Stanley notified
09:52 MVs parked on Solomonte Way in chairperson's space; 1 MV moved, 1 ticketed
10:43 Slashed tire of MV in Fox lot; found to be nail stuck in tire
11:30 Medical, Pasteur; EMTs & Trinity notified; refusal
14:33 Damage to MV at Lovejoy Lot
14:43 Harassment, S/C dining hall
16:04 Elevator down at Pinanski;

Stanley notified
22:17 Steam in Mahoney basement

SATURDAY

MARCH 27

01:08 Noisy party at Sheehy, unfounded
02:05 People drinking in rear of Allen House, unfounded
18:04 Intrusion alarm, psychology department

SUNDAY

MARCH 28

23:42 RA requests to break up party; underage drinking
03:18 Malicious destruction of property
09:11 Intrusion alarm, Lydon Library; Employee error

MONDAY

MARCH 29

02:00 Intrusion alarm, Registrar's office; no problem
08:56 Alarm ringing, Dugan
10:12 Guinea pigs, Fox lot; Animal Control notified
10:14 Suspicious man in black hat, Riverside lot; unfound
12:24 Strange odor, Alumni building
17:17 Alarm at ballpark, no problem; general manager set off
17:31 Intrusion alarm, O'Leary mezzanine; Employee error; reset
18:11 Kids throwing football at car; unfounded
20:38 Damage to MV, Costello lot
21:48 Fire alarm, Donahue; LFD responded; burnt popcorn
22:05 Suspicious MV, Fox lot; no problem

TUESDAY

MARCH 30

00:44 Resident broke key inside door lock, Leitch
01:01 Radiator leaking in Concordia
01:49 Objects thrown from Fox Hall window
02:34 Audible alarm, Olney 4th floor
06:50 Lost or stolen keys reported

07:01 Medical call, Fox; notified

Trinity
10:30 Report of hit & run witness, Riverside lot
11:54 Suspicious persons, Mills; unfounded
12:21 Parking complaint, Olney
15:30 Opened gate to mills for person locked inside
17:56 Call box alarm; unfounded
20:05 Non-residents parking, Eames Lot

WEDNESDAY

MARCH 31

00:05 Briefcase found, Southwick
04:05 Kids rollerblading in Fox Lot, GOA
10:01 Medical call, notified Trinity
13:47 Harassing phone calls, Smith
14:54 Medical call, Southwick poolroom
16:46 Disturbing person, S/C dining hall
17:06 Glass on door broken, Ball Hall, unfounded
17:37 Window broken, Ball Hall
18:08 Harassing phone calls, Eames
18:17 Grease trap backed up, Eames Dining Hall
19:07 Disturbing student, Coburn
19:35 Medical, Eames lobby; EMTs responded; refusal
19:41 Pipe leaking, Sheehy 3rd floor bathroom

THURSDAY

APRIL 1

10:35 Parking complaint, Mahoney; ticketed
14:54 Biohazard disposal, Pawtucket street
15:28 Open reactor gate for contractor
15:51 Cars blocking Costello lot

17:10 Kids disturbing Coburn lot, GOA

17:12 Medical call, Fox lobby, Trinity transport to LGH
17:44 Passed pedestrian accident, University Ave, assisted LPD
19:28 Drain backing up, SC Dining Hall
20:02 Confiscated item, Bourgeois

FRIDAY

APRIL 2

00:50 Medical call, Bourgeois, EMTs & Trinity notified; refusal
01:51 MV rode thru grass and parked in Donahue HP spot; MV moved
13:52 Misunderstanding, Leitch lot; GOA
18:37 Girl sprained ankle, Costello Gym; refusal
20:05 Intrusion alarm, Southwick Centers for Learning; room secured
20:17 Fox generator on for more than 1 hour
23:49 Disorderly person, Fox lot

SATURDAY

APRIL 3

00:18 Vandalism to MV
01:05 Report of a domestic, Pawtucket St, LPD notified
02:12 Disturbance, Olsen lot
06:51 All power Kitson shut off
11:18 Two warrant arrests
12:06 Deactivate alarm, Cumnock
13:27 Report of lost wedding ring
14:30 Noises, University Ave area; unfounded
16:02 Defacement of property, Leitch
16:43 MV stop, Red light violation; verbal warning
18:39 Intrusion alarm at O'Leary Library; no one found



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Women and Work

in the **21**st Century

Workshop on Friday, April 23, 1999
Alumni Lounge, North Campus, 9 AM – 2 PM

sponsored by the

Center for Women and Work

All University faculty, staff, and students are welcomed to attend. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Paula Rayman of the Radcliffe Public Policy Institute.

The workshop will address key issues for women and work in the 21st Century and unique opportunities and roles for the university and the community in addressing those issues.

A panel of representatives of Labor, Community Activists, the Schools and Education, the Workplace, and City Government will spark discussion.

Please set this date aside and join us for stimulating discussion.

A continental breakfast and lunch will be served.
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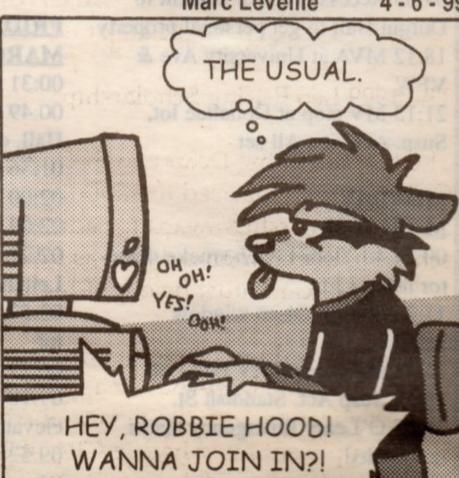
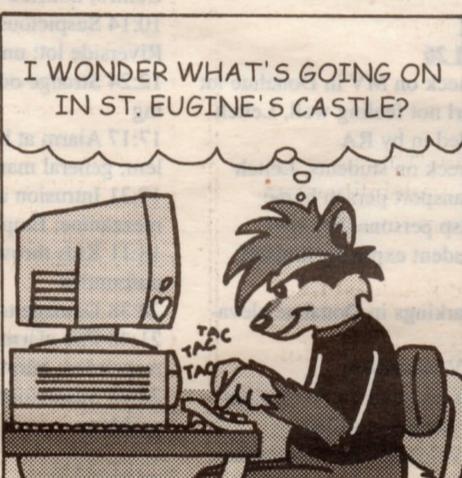
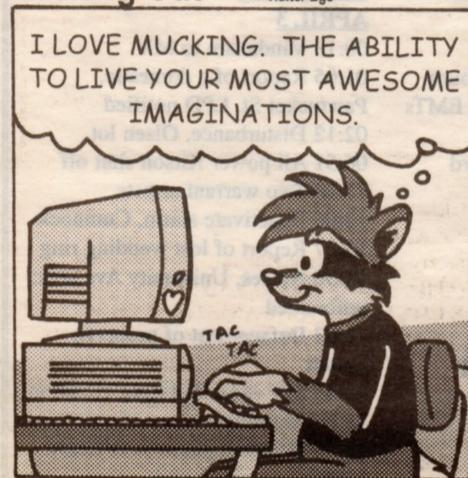
EARLY CHIRP AND FRIENDS

by MATT COCKREHAM



Backing Out

"Halter Ego"



"It may look like a simple flat tire, Mr. Beaman, but we'll have to run some tests."

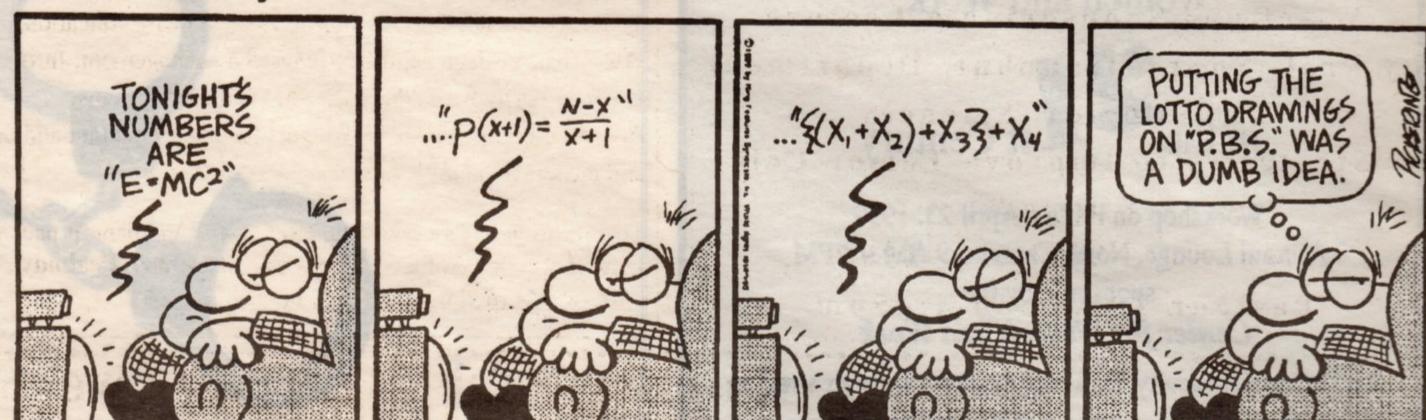
GEORGE by MARK SZORADY



THE SPATS by JEFF PICKERING



"Sex?! We're still working on eye-to-eye contact!"



"Of course our marriage has made me a better person. When I was a bachelor I used to OVEREAT all the time."

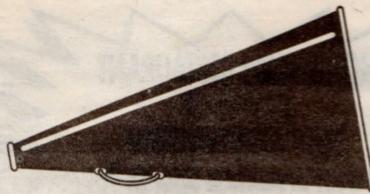
OUT ON A LIMB by GARY KOPERVAS

WHO NEEDS?
WHO NEEDS TICKETS?
I GOT TWO IN THE LOW FORTIES...

NOW SERVING
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TICKET SCALPING AT
THE DELI COUNTER





UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL GAME

When: April 9, 1999
7:30 pm
Where: Costello Gym
Cost: \$3
Raffle and Refreshments!

ATTENTION RETURNING STUDENTS SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The 1999 Leo F. King Scholarship

The Friends of the Dean Leo F. King Scholarship Committee are pleased to announce the availability of an annual scholarship award for adult learners returning to school. The requirements are as follows:

1. The applicant must be out of high school at least five years.
2. Applicants do not have to meet federal guidelines for Financial Aid. However, the applicant must file a Financial Aid Application with the Financial Aid Office.
3. The applicant must have a GPA of 2.8 or higher.
4. The applicant must be enrolled in at least 6 credits of course work.
5. The applicant must be able to demonstrate a clear sense of purpose for pursuing an undergraduate degree at UMass Lowell.

Eligible applicants may pick up an application in the Office of Student Services-Cumnock Hall, Centers for Learning-North or South Campus.

Applications are also available on the internet at:
www.careerservices.uml.edu or
www.studentservices.uml.edu

Complete applications must be received by May 3, 1999 at any one of the following offices: the Centers for Learning, Southwick 308, North or O'Leary Library, 3d floor, South Campus, or the Office of Student Services.

WiseGuys Sponsoring a Lecture by Prof. Susan Brauhut, Department of Biological Sciences "Strategies to Improve Tumor Cell Killing."
Monday, April 12, 1999
Pasteur 301, 3:30-4:45pm

THE MATTHEW JAMES DROUIN SCHOLARSHIP

The Matthew James Drouin Scholarship has been created by the University of Massachusetts Lowell in recognition of the unique contributions made to the University community by Matt Drouin during his undergraduate years at the University.

A member of the Class of 1995, Matthew J. Drouin became aware of his own sexuality during his early years at the University. As a consequence, he learned valuable lessons about bigotry, hatred, and exclusion by society.

In particular, Matt experienced discrimination in the policies of the Air Force and Army ROTC programs on campus. Matt and several of his friends, both heterosexual and homosexual, began sponsoring educational programs on the Lowell campus as well as at other colleges and universities in the area. These programs were not intended to change the beliefs of other people or to make them understand homosexuality, but instead were intended to promote open discussion of differences and to build respect among diverse people.

By creating the Matthew James Drouin Scholarship, the University hopes to promote a healthy learning environment that respects personal and cultural differences and encourages a free and open exchange of ideas.

Recipients of the Matt Drouin Scholarship will receive a full waiver of all tuition and fee responsibilities for the 1999-2000 academic year.

Applications are available for this scholarship beginning the week of March 8 and are due no later than April 9th. Applications are available in the Office of Student Services - Cumnock Hall, North Campus, Student Government Office, Fox Hall and the Office of Student Activities, Student Centers and Commuter Services, McGavran 224. Completed applications must be returned to the Office of Student Activities, Student Centers and Commuter Services ONLY.

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM SPRING 1999

Cardio Kick - Boxing

A non-contact sport that is a great way to not only stay in shape, but to have some fun as well.

Section 1 Costello Gym	T/R	6:00 - 7:00pm	6 weeks
Begins 3/30	\$25.00		

Body Conditioning

Courses include aerobics combined with toning, body sculpting and an emphasis on legs and abs.

Section 2 Costello Gym	M/W	5:00 - 6:00pm	6 weeks
Begins 3/30	\$20.00		

Dance and Body Conditioning

The program is both educational and fun, and gives the students a gained sense of what dance can do for your body, mind and soul. The types of dance will include Russian Czardas and Mazurka Dances, American Swing Dancing and Spanish Flamenco Dancing

Section 9 Costello Gym	M/W	4:00 - 5:00pm	6 weeks
Begins 4/5	\$25.00		

Golf Lessons

Fees does not include range balls required for each lesson. Course is designed to improve the fundamental skills of beginners through advanced players. Space limited and cancelled classes from inclement weather will be re-scheduled to following week

Section 8 Westford T or R	5:30 - 6:00pm	4 weeks	Begins 4/13
			\$40.00

LEADERS OF THE PACK STAND OUT!!

Nominations are now available for the STUDENT ACTIVITIES RECOGNITION AWARDS

IN RECOGNITION OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUR STUDENT LEADERS, ADVISORS, ORGANIZATIONS AND CLUBS, THE OFFICE OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES, STUDENT CENTERS AND COMMUTER SERVICES SPONSORS THE FOLLOWING RECOGNITION AWARDS:

- Student Organization Advisor of the Year
- Emerging Student Leader of the Year
- Student Leader of the Year
- Student Organization of the Year
- Individual Program of the Year
- Co-Sponsored Program of the Year

Forms are available in the SIC's.

Deadline for Nominations: Friday, April 9, 1999

Awards will be presented at the

10th Annual Student Activities Recognition Banquet on May 6, 1999.

Save the Date!

COLTEC AEROSPACE

Walbar Metals, a progressive, growth-orientated division of Coltec Aerospace located in the greater Boston metropolitan area, has the following immediate opening:

Production Planner

This individual must be a hands-on, take-charge person with the ability to have an immediate impact in the production planning function. This is a fast paced position with high visibility.

The selected candidates will have the following education:

- 4 years college degree in Industrial Management, Information Systems or Engineering preferred.
- Familiarity with computerized inventory systems.
- Good interpersonal skills; must be able to interact and effectively communicate with employees and customers at all levels.

This position has a very competitive wage and benefit package. If interested, please send resumes to: Cheryl Ruelle, Walbar Metals, P.O. Box 3369, Peabody, MA 01960. Fax: (978) 532-3048.
<http://www.cruelle@peabody.walbar.com>

THE CATHOLIC CENTER AT UMASS-LOWELL

LITURGY: SUNDAY MASS, FOX HALL ROOM 301, 9:00PM

WEEKDAY MASS, CATHOLIC CENTER, WEDNESDAY, 5:00PM

COMMUNITY SERVICE: COMMUNITY SERVICE IN AND AROUND THE LOWELL AREA (HOME REPAIR, NURSING HOME MINISTRY, HOSPITAL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LOCAL SHELTERS, TUTORING, AIDS MINISTRY, ETC).

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SPORTS SPOTLIGHT

by Melissa Sullivan
Connector Staff

Christina Smolnik

Year: Freshman
Sport: Cross-country
Position: n/a
Hometown: Central Square, NY
High School: Paul V. Moore High School
Major: Criminal Justice
Nickname: Stina
Favorite Pro Team: Pittsburgh Penguins
Favorite Athlete: Michael Johnson
Favorite Actor: Jim Carey
Favorite Actress: Mary trying to sing
Favorite Movie: Armageddon, Saving Private Ryan
Favorite Singer: Wyclef Jean, DMX
Favorite Meal: Dirty's pleasure balm
Favorite TV Show: Cops, RealTV
Hobbies: Keeping in shape

What do you do to relax: Hanging out with El Guapo (the man)
Memorable moment at UMass Lowell: Running around the hotel in our spankies with Amy and Angie
Biggest Wish: To get with Jaromir Jagr
Best part of your sports career at UMass Lowell: Being in the top 5
Best part of your sport: Being part of a team
Hopes for the future: To be in the FBI

Three famous people you would invite to dinner: Jim Carey, Michael Johnson, Hitler
One famous event in history you would like to have been at: My brother's Penn State game.
If you could do one thing in your life, what would it be: Make it to the Olympics

Quote: "Marsket Barsket"



Dave Paul Pessotti

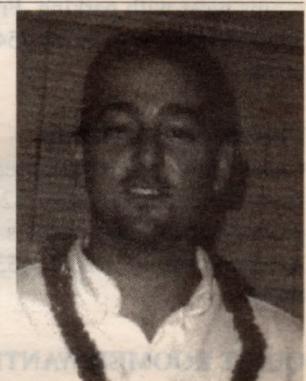
Year: Senior
Sport: Baseball
Position: Outfield/Doggy style
Hometown: Westford
High school: Westford Academy
Major: Marketing
Nickname: Pizzo, DP, "Tough guy"
Favorite Pro Team: Patriots
Favorite Athlete: Michael Jordan/Tom Fratto
Favorite Actor: Robert Deniro/Derron Doucette/ Louis James Capozzi
Favorite Actress: Sandra Bullock/ Melissa Sullivan
Favorite Movie: Good Will Hunting
Favorite Singer: Fat Boy Slim
Favorite Meal: My late night meals
Favorite TV Show: The Cosby Show re-runs & Midnight Love

Hobbies: Polka, Risk, Beirut, Golf
What do you do to relax: Play Polka, Rolling in the Beama and Crack Nuts w/ Sable & Squirrel
Memorable moment at UMass Lowell: Running down University Ave. stark naked
Biggest Wish: To be happy

Best part of your sports career at UMass Lowell: Running on the Football field against Ben Hey for the first time as a proud Riverhawk
Best part of your sport: Hiring a Heckler
Hopes for the future: Join a Beirut team, Establish myself in the real world, Go back to Tampa

Three famous people you would invite to dinner: Slabodan Milosevic, John Gotti, Pamela Anderson Pizzo Lee
One famous event in history you would like to have been at: A sober one
If you could do one thing in your life, what would it be: Have a son

Quote: "If you mess with me I'm going to mess with you, If you steal from me I'm going to steal from you, not just piss on the sidewalk." "You cannot stop me, you can only hope to contain me."



Mandell, from back page

six runs and striking out 10
River Hawks. Junior Neil Hagin received his first win of the season on two and two-thirds innings of relief for Albany, while fanning six.

The story of the second game for Albany was outfielders junior Rob Ryan and junior Michael Oliva. Together they had five hits and knocked in six of Albany's eight runs.

On the flip side, sophomore shortstop Jon Cahill hit his first

Softball, from back page

Gagnon in at pitcher in the fifth inning and would get out of inning without giving up a run.

home-run of the season in the first inning. In the double-header, Cahill was very solid at the plate batting .500 (6 for 12) with two RBI's, while scoring three runs.

In the top of the eleventh inning, Mandell walked senior Jason Sanchez and then freshman Frank Cannistra singled to center advancing Sanchez to third. Cannistra stole second and then on a Oliva single to center, both Sanchez and Cannistra scored putting the Danes up 8-6, where the score stayed.

Lowell got a run in the bottom of the fifth inning but came up short. The game was called at the end of fifth inning for dark-

The River Hawks had several opportunities to put the Great Danes away in extra innings but they just couldn't get anyone across the plate.

Albany's two wins moved them to 4-6, while Lowell lost its third straight dropping to a record of 9-6. Time of game two was three hours and twenty-two minutes and attendance was 153. Next home game for the River Hawks will be April 6 at 3 pm, when Lalacheur is host to Dartmouth College.

ness. The final score was 6 to 5 in favor of Albany. The two loses drop UMass Lowell to 6-7 on the season.

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Baseball drops home-opener

by Adam J Richmond
Connector Editor

On a windy Tuesday afternoon, the UMass Lowell River Hawks took the field for their home-opener at LaLacheur Park against the Panthers of Adelphi University. It was a seesaw battle from the first pitch ending in a 1 run 12-11 victory for the Panthers.

River Hawk sophomore starter Nate Linstad got off to a rocky start by giving up eight runs in the first two innings. He finished five innings of play giving up a total of 11 runs, nine of which were earned and striking out five Panthers in the process. Linstad was relieved by sophomore John Sexton who pitched three stellar shutout innings until the top of ninth. He let up the winning run after walking third baseman Jon Doyle and shortstop Nick Clark. Junior Matt Marenghi was brought in for relief. Marenghi struck out the next batter but then first baseman Mike Rayola singled to right field scoring the Panthers winning run. The run was charged to Sexton dropping him to 2-1 on the season.

Seniors Rayola and Clark were big at the plate for Adelphi. Clark had a solo homer in the sixth and Rayola went 2 for 5 with the game winning RBI in the ninth. They

combined to score two runs and in two RBIs. Senior DH Brian Pierce added three RBI's for the Adelphi.

Lowell's offense was led by junior first baseman Dana D'Agostino who pounded a two-run shot to right center in the third to help cut the Panthers lead to 8-7. Junior Jon Cahill and senior Tom Fratto went a combined 5 for 8, scoring three runs and knocking in two for the Hawks while junior Lennie Carter contributed two RBIs in a losing effort.

Winning pitcher for Adelphi, sophomore Sean Durnin, earned his first win of the season in an inning and a third as he gave up three hits, one run and strikeout or walked none. Junior starter Hermimio Torres was pulled after two and two-thirds innings after being slammed for seven hits, seven runs, and two walks. Second baseman junior Anthony Cotilletta came in for the save in the bottom of the ninth inning after playing at second base all day. He got his first save of the season with three fly balls on three batters.

The Panthers record went to 11-5, as the River Hawks' loss brings their record to 9-4 for the season. Time of game was three hours and thirty-one minutes and attendance was 209.



Photos by Karl Hubner

Tom Fratto shown above in both pictures getting one of his three hits, then scoring one of the River Hawks 11 runs

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SPORTS

'Iron Man'dell

In Wednesday night's loss to Albany, Jamie Mandell pitched 10.1 innings and threw 175 pitches. He finished the day with 199 pitches after coming in relief in game one.

by Adam J Richmond
Connector Editor

It was a beautiful day for baseball Wednesday afternoon, when the River Hawks of Lowell hosted a twinbill against the Great Danes of Albany at LaLacheur Park. The first game was a nine inning contest and the second game was suppose to be a seven inning affair. Both games went into extra innings and ended in losses for the River Hawks.

The story of the day had to be sophomore pitcher Jamie Mandell. Not only did he pitch the last inning of the first game in relief, striking out two but he also started game two of the double-header. Mandell pitched 10 and one third innings in game two, which resulted in a 8-6 loss for the River Hawks and dropped Mandell to a record of 1-2. In game two, Mandell threw 175 pitches, striking out nine, walking four, while giving up eight runs (six earned runs) on nine hits. Combined for both games the ironman threw a total of 199 recorded pitches in 11 and one-third innings of work.

In game one, the total for both teams was 29 runs, 37 hits, and nine errors of which eight were Lowell's. The name of this game was offense. Albany starter junior James Trufant in seven innings and starter Lowell senior John Morris in six

innings both gave up seven runs a piece, all earned. And if that wasn't bad enough Albany reliever junior Mark Zacharczyk was burned for six runs in an inning and a third of work, and on the Lowell side, junior Matt Stone was rocked for five runs in one inning of relief. The pitchers of record were sophomore Craig Straus, who won his first game for Albany, and freshman Ned Pierce, who lost his first as a River Hawk.

On the brighter end of the spectrum, sophomore Lennie Carter blasted his first two home-runs for four RBI's and junior Dana D'Agostino slammed his fifth homer of the season and knocked in three runs for the River Hawks. Catcher for game one, junior Mark Babbit, went 3 for 5 from the plate and junior James Pelland added three RBI's.

For Albany, big man sophomore outfielder Steve Checksfield hit his first round tripper of the season. He and senior DH Tony Gregoli combined for four hits and six RBI's to help seal the first game of the double-header, 15-14.

Game one lasted over four hours and 153 were in attendance.

Moving on to game two, which was definitely more defensive oriented. Starter junior Scott Tower pitched eight and one-third innings surrendering

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The UMass Lowell baseball team looks on as they bat in the second game of their double header against Albany

Softball swept in twinbill against Albany

giving up the first hit and walk of the game in the third inning. Albany would leave two on base in the third inning. The pitcher for Albany St. #27 retired 11 straight UMass Lowell players before giving a walk up to Sarah Gagnon, but the score remained 0 to 0 after four innings. The game went to extra innings with the score still knotted at zero. In the extra innings, a runner was put on second base to speed the

game up. The score remained tied after the eighth inning however. In the ninth inning, both teams finally put runs on the scoreboard. UMass Lowell got RBI's from Danielle Bretton and Tricia Metz to make the score 3 to 3 after nine. The Danes of Albany St. scored the game winning run in the eleventh inning when Cari Crocket scored off a Valerie Terry bunt. The final was 4 to 3 in favor of Albany.

Game two was more of a offense battle for both teams. Albany St. would take the lead early in the first inning when they got RBI's from Michelle Mausteller and Amy Hawk. The score at the end of one inning was 4 to 0 Albany. The River Hawks cut the lead in half when Tricia Metz and Jessica Harvey scored in the inning. The score at the end of two was 4 to 2 Albany. UMass Lowell capital-

ized in bottom of the third inning when Kristine Botto scored on a single by Tricia Metz to bring the River Hawks within one. Albany answered right back as they scored two more runs in the top of fourth inning to take a 6 to 3. Lowell got one back in the bottom of the fourth cutting the lead to 6 to 4. The River Hawks put Sarah

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UML 11, Adelphi 12
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UML 6, Albany 8

Tennis

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UPCOMING RIVER HAWK MATCHES

Baseball:

4/6 vs. Dartmouth 3pm
4/7 vs. Bentley 3pm
4/8 vs. Savannah 3pm
4/10 vs. Southern Conn (DH) Noon

Outdoor Track

4/10 @ Springfield College

For upcoming events, call the Hawk Line at **934-HAWK**

Softball:

4/8 @ Southern Maine 3pm
4/10 vs. Southern Conn 3pm
4/12 vs. Merrimack 3pm

Men's Tennis

4/9 vs. Franklin Pierce College 3:30
4/12 @ Southern Maine 3:30

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